



**SOUTH AFRICAN
COUNCIL FOR SOCIAL SERVICE PROFESSIONS**

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The Minister of Social Development on 24 March 2020 requested the Minister of Labour to include social service professionals into the list of persons providing essential services. Council also submitted recommendations in terms of section 3(c) of the Social Service Professions Act 110 of 1978 regarding matters that affect social service professionals to the Minister of Social Development for consideration.

Since the call for help, there has been short supply of protective kits to minimise the spread of the virus. Council with the assistance of HWSETA, supplied 3,000 anti-virus self-care kits; 2,956 sanitizers, 3,690 washable masks to over 30 NGOs mostly affiliate members of NACOSS; City of Ekurhuleni social development; Gauteng social development; SANDF social work unit; 16 shelters for Gender-based Violence survivors in Mpumalanga and 1 in Lenasia; six community based organisations across Gauteng working with the homeless and social workers in private practice.

The Registrar participated in a webinar on the 3rd April, on trauma counselling facilitated by ASASWEI, Dr Nadesan offered by Prof Alida Herbst of the NWU.

Council wishes all social service professionals who are leading from the front to continue their selfless work in good health. Remain safe and practise good hygiene and self-care at all times.

UPDATES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PLEASE NOTE: As an extraordinary measure Council has extended payment of annual fees to **30 April 2020** (see *General Notice 1 of 2020*)

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